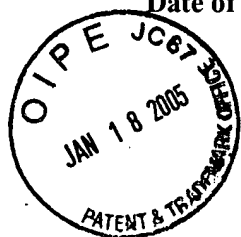


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the July 23, 2004 Non-Final Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, a Response is due on or before January 23, 2005. A check in the amount of \$1020.00 in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) for a large entity is enclosed herewith.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Reference Number: **28069-551B-CON**, Customer No. **35437**. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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